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In re application of:

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For: **Method for Providing Extended
Precision in SIMD Vector
Arithmetic Operations**

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Telephone Interview Summary

On August 18, 2000, Applicants' undersigned representative held a telephonic interview with Examiner Donaghue. In the interview, Examiner Donaghue requested that Applicants submit a terminal disclaimer in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,864,703 to Van Hook, which is the parent to the present application. In accordance with that request, a terminal disclaimer is being submitted herewith.

On August 21, 2000, Applicants' undersigned representative held a second telephonic interview with Examiner Donaghue to discuss the information disclosure statement (IDS) filed on August 11, 2000. The following issues were discussed during the interview:

1. The documents submitted with the IDS were apparently lost by the Office. The Examiner requested that Applicants resubmit the documents as originally filed, with the exception of the cited U.S. patents to which Examiner Donaghue indicated he has ready access. In response to the Examiner's request, Applicants submit herewith copies of the IDS, Forms PTO-1449 and documents AP1, AQ1, AR1, AS1, AP2, AQ2, AR2, AS2, AP3, AQ3, AR3, AS3, AP4, AQ4, AR4, AS4, AP5, AQ5, AR5, AS5, AP6, AQ6, AR6, AS6, AP7, AQ7, AS7, AP8, AQ8, AR8, AS8, and AP9 listed thereon. Applicants have also submitted a copy of the postcard that was date stamped by the PTO indicating receipt of these papers on August 11, 2000.

2. Documents AR6, AS6 and AQ7 are listed on the Forms PTO-1449 with an indication of "Date Unknown." The Examiner indicated that these undated documents would simply be crossed out on the Form PTO-1449


indicating that they were not being considered as prior art because of the unknown date. Applicants' representative explained that these documents were printed from the World Wide Web on July 26, 2000 from a web page identified by the URL www.lexra.com/download.

3. Applicants' representative and the Examiner discussed the fact that many of the documents submitted in the IDS are not prior art to the present patent application in view of the present application's filing date of December 30, 1998.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants acknowledge the Examiner's intent to cross out any documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449 that do not include a date of publication. For each of the other documents listed on the Forms PTO-1449, Applicants request that the Examiner consider the cited document and then initial in the appropriate space on the Form PTO-1449 indicating that he has either (1) considered the document or (2) not considered the document substantively because it is not prior art to the claimed invention based on the listed date.

Respectfully submitted,

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